

180 YOUTH WORKER [14 hours per week]



Job Description

An exciting opportunity for someone to join The 180 Project team to help us to develop our work in a local secondary school, and be part of the team who deliver the Spiro Course.

The Spiro Course is an intervention project for young students who are disengaging in school. Spiro gives young people the opportunity, through a series of inspiring teaching sessions and workplace visits, to develop their identity and purpose.

Key Project (s):	The Spiro Course; Secondary School Mentoring
Hours:	Fridays, 9am-3pm plus 8 hours over one or two additional days, preferably Tuesday (14 hours per week)
Location:	Chafford Hundred (Community Church Office & Harris Academy)
Salary:	£5,241.60 per annum
Contract Type:	Term-time only (39 weeks a year)
Contract:	One year (September 2018 – August 2019)
Start Date:	Friday 7 th September 2018
Holiday Entitlement:	60 hours per annum

Main Responsibilities

1. To deliver one-to-one and small group mentoring in school as well as during Spiro sessions
2. To work as part of the Spiro course team to deliver and teach innovation sessions to a small group of young people
3. Act as a key contact for parents of the young people on the Spiro course and those receiving mentoring support
4. To work with the 180 Family Engagement Worker in planning and delivering support to families
5. To work as part of the team to develop good relationships with young people, their parents, local businesses and the school community
6. To support the Spiro Project Manager in arranging workplace visits for the young people across the local area
7. To support the Spiro Project Manager in raising awareness of the Spiro course in the church, local community and through social media platforms
8. To ensure care is taken to follow all policies of Community Church including Safeguarding and Health & Safety policies
9. To meet regularly with colleagues to pray for the young people, their families and schools, and to ensure the effective and efficient delivery of the Spiro course and mentoring programmes
10. To function as part of the wider team of The 180 Project; supporting events, promotional opportunities and fundraising efforts

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Person Specification

Essential

- Experience in engaging with schools, parents and other statutory bodies
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Experience of mentoring young people in a school environment
- Passionate about working with young people
- Experience in preparing and delivering sessions for young people
- Ability to work as part of a team and on own initiative
- Ability to think creatively and generate innovative ideas
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Competent in using Microsoft Word, Excel and Publisher as well as email and Google Drive
- A committed Christian who is keen to see transformation in the lives of struggling families

Desirable

- Own transport and willingness to use own vehicle to transport young people to workplace visits as part of the course
- Experience of delivering community-based youth work
- Awareness of youth culture and issues
- Ability to take and edit video recordings
- Knowledge or experience in managing challenging behaviour and student engagement
- Knowledge or experience of the church sector, particularly related to social action
- Some experience of working with vulnerable children and families
- Suitable youth work qualification
- Part of Community Church or a willingness to become part of Community Church

The successful candidate will be required to undergo a DBS check, attend safeguarding training and to provide two satisfactory references. They may also be requested to undergo training in First Aid, Food Safety and/or Health & Safety.

**In line with Community Church's recruitment procedure, each candidate's application will be anonymised before being scored against each of the job specification criteria.
Highest scoring candidates will be invited to interview.**

**Application by CV, application form and covering letter by Friday 10th August 2018.
Interviews will be week beginning 13th August 2018.**

**Applications should be submitted by post or email using the contact details below.
Email: michelle.safo@mycommunitychurch.org.uk**

**Post: Michelle Safo, Community Church Office, First Floor, Unit 2, Lakeside Business Village,
Fleming Road, Chafford Hundred, RM16 6EW**